

Intimation.

CHOICE AUSTRALIAN WINES
FROM THE CELEBRATED
COOLALTA VINEYARDS,
NEW SOUTH WALES.

THE COOLALTA WINES which we are introducing here for the first time give an unexceptional opportunity to Wine Connoisseurs to sample really HIGH CLASS AUSTRALIAN WINES of low alcoholic strength.

COOLALTA WINES cannot be surpassed for their excellent Quality, High and Even Quality, Bouquet, and soft delicate flavour; and, being the natural product of the grape, they are specially recommended by the Medical Faculty of New South Wales.

COOLALTA WINES have obtained the HIGHEST AWARDS at all the principal International Exhibitions of the World.

A careful Analysis of these Wines was recently made by the Government of New South Wales. They were found to be PERFECTLY PURE, SOUND AND THOROUGHLY FERMENTED WINES.

SAMPLES may be had FREE on application to Messrs. CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co., Sole Agents for Hongkong.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1897. [245]

To-day's
Advertisements.

WILLISON'S CIRCUS.

LAST TWO NIGHTS.

THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING,
GRAND FASHIONABLE NIGHT
Under the Distinguished Patronage of
His Excellency the Governor,
MR. WILLIAM ROBINSON, R.C.M.G.
SPECIAL PERFORMANCE.

All our Talented Lady and Gentlemen
celebrities in a Pleasingly Prepared
Programme Presenting
A BRILLIANT ARENIC SCENE.

TEAMS
In the Great
TUG-OF-WAR
Scotland v. The Asiatic Squadron,
England v. Ireland.

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY)
PERFORMANCES—2
AT 4 P.M.
CHILDREN FREE.

Special Tickets are issued entitling any Boy
or Girl to be admitted FREE to the Circus on
SATURDAY Afternoon, provided each one is
accompanied by an Adult. GET FREE Tickets
at the Circus.

SATURDAY NIGHT
POSITIVE FAREWELL

FINAL SCENES
IN THE GREAT
TUG-OF-WAR.
The Final Pull for \$200 Prizes.
POSITIVE FAREWELL.

Professor J. W. PRICE'S
SENSATIONAL BALLOON
ASCENSION AND PARACHUTE JUMP
is POSTPONED until
Next SATURDAY, the 27th February.
Bert WILLISON.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1897. [328]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION
ON
THURSDAY, the 25th February, 1897,
commencing at 2.30 P.M.,
at No. 4, Blue Buildings, Praya East,
THE WHOLE OF THE FURNITURE, &c.,
belonging to the
BRITISH MERCHANT MARINE OFFICERS'
ASSOCIATION.

Comprising—
SITTING ROOM FURNITURE,
COTTAGE PIANO, by SCHROEDER, PICTURES,
CURTAINS, CARPETS, MIRRORS,
&c., &c., &c.

ONE BILLIARD TABLE, by LAZARUS,
Calcutta, with BALLS, CUES, MARKING
BOARDS, &c.

Several DINING TABLES, BOOKS, &c.
ONE IRON SAFE and OFFICE FURNITURE,
COUNTER, ICE-BOX, HATSTAND,
BATH-ROOM REQUISITES,
&c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale.
On View from WEDNESDAY, the 24th Feb.
TERMS OF SALE—Cash on delivery.
GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1897. [32]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "BRAEMAR,"
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA,
KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Con-
signees of Cargo are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for counter-
signature, and to take immediate delivery of their
Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.

DODWELL, CARMILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1897. [4]

To-day's
Advertisements.VICTORIA CHAPTER,
No. 325, E.C.

AN EMERGENCY CONVOCATION of the
above CHAPTER will be held in the
FREMANS' HALL, Zeland Street, THIS
EVENING, the 19th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m.
precisely. Visiting Companions are cordially
invited to attend.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1897. [311]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for
NINGPO, CHEFOO, HANKOW and PORTS
on the YANGTZE.)

THE Company's Steamship

"IXION,"
Captain Nish, will be despatched as above TO-
MORROW, the 20th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1897. [330]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAILONG,"
Captain Milroy, will be despatched for the above
PORT on SUNDAY, the 21st instant, at
Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1897. [333]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-EUROPE LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP
VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
PORT SAID AND MARSEILLES.

THE Company's Chartered Steamship

"BALMORAL,"
Commander MacRitchie, will be despatched as
above on SATURDAY, the 27th instant, at 4
P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1897. [332]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-AUSTRALIA LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

(Under Mail Contract.)

MELBOURNE, SYDNEY AND
MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TOKIO MARU,"
Captain E. S. Barlow, will be despatched for the
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 16th March, at
4 P.M.

This Steamer possesses a Superior Passenger
Accommodation and carries a duly qualified
Doctor and a European Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1897. [333]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK &
COMPANY,

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYVADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-
parison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSERS and
other Large Consumers.

Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1897. [427]

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG
TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY
REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS
MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions,
Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong
Telegraph" and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and
not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied
by the name and address of the writer, and not necessarily by
publication; but an indication of good faith.

While the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always
be open for the fair discussion of all questions affecting public
interests, it must be distinctly understood that the
Editor does not see fit to hold himself responsible for
opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisements are required to forward all notices intended for
insertion in this day's issue and later than Three O'Clock as
not to retard the early publication of the paper.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a
fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

The Hongkong Telegraph has the largest circulation of any
English newspaper published in the Far East, and it is therefore
the best medium for the advertisement of all goods and
services.

The Hongkong Telegraph is a member of the Telephone Council
of the Colony.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1897. [4]

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES
AND
SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House,
bought direct at first hand, imported in wood
and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all inter-
mediate profits, and enabling us to supply the
best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on
Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month
before use. When required for drinking at
once it should be ordered to be decanted at
the DISPENSARY before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner
Wines of very superior Vintages. All are
true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Claret, including the lowest
Priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine
product of the juice of the grape and are not
artificially made from raisins and currants,
as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be
pure COGNAC, the difference in price being
merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKEY.—All our Whiskey is of excellent
quality and of greater age than most brands
in the market. THE SCOTCH WHISKY
marked "E" is universally popular, and is
pronounced by the best local connoisseurs
to be superior to any other brand in the
Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS
to be genuine when bought direct from us in the
Colony or from our authorised Agents at the
Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1897.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTERS' MESSAGES.

GREECE AND THE POWERS.

LONDON, February 17th.

The Commanders of the foreign squadrons
have addressed an ultimatum to the Greek
Commanders requiring him to leave Cretan waters.
As yet no reply has been received to the
ultimatum.

TURKEY AND THE EUROPEAN
CONCERT.

Mr. Balfour in reply to a question in the
House of Commons said that any statement at
the present crisis would, or might, result in a
rupture of the European concert, the maintenance
of which concert was solely able to avert the
disolution of the Turkish Empire by a European
war.

(From Diario de Manila.)

MADRID, January 26th.

The Spanish troops have had several victories
over the rebels in Cuba. The rebels are being
beaten every day.

Spain has joined officially the Congress of
Hygiene convoked by Italy to adopt measures
providing against the introduction of the bubonic
plague.

ANOTHER DON.

February 9th.

Don Jose Pastor is to be sent out to take com-
mand of the Marines in the Philippines.

CONFIDENCE.

Public opinion in Spain awaits without
impatience the early triumph of her arms in
Cayite.

OBITUARY.

February 12th.

Vice Admiral D. Buenaventura Pilon is dead.

THE PLAGUE IN EUROPE.

In Marseille 30 suspicious cases have been
registered.

(From Rangoon Times.)

THE INDIAN FAMINE.

LONDON, January 31st.

The Indian Famine Fund has now reached
£180,000. The cities of Leeds, Bradford, and
Birmingham have subscribed £2500, £1,000
and £4000 respectively. Lloyd's have given
£500 and the Oregon Gold Company £350.
The Executive Committee of the Manchester
Famine Fund, of which Sir Frank Forbes Adam
is Chairman, have collected £25,000.

CALCUTTA, January 30th.

The vital statistics for the Central Provinces
show that in October last there was an excess
of mortality of over 83,000, excluding cholera,
compared with the normal death-rate in other
years; this fact points exclusively to the severity
of the distress three months ago.

TELEGRAMS.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

LONDON, January 30th.

Mr. Herbert, Secretary of the British Embassy
at Rome, and Doctor Tanno will represent
Great Britain at the forthcoming Plague Confer-
ence at Venice.

CALCUTTA, February 2nd.

The Englishman has a powerful article
advocating barriers on the frontier of Bengal
and the station of any passengers coming
the same into the province if they do not hold
passports to the effect that they are not from a
plague-infected district. This course is urged
in view of the enormous commercial and admi-
nistrative interests at stake. The Government
is urged to prevent the plague reaching the city
at all costs.

Surgeon-General Cleghorn leaves Calcutta to-
morrow for Bombay en route for Venice for the
Conference on the Plague.

BOMBAY, January 26th.

It is stated that numbers of the fami-
nar-stricken are arriving in Bombay. They are in
a condition to fall an easy prey to the pesti-
lence.

The Post Office delivery persons have decided
to present a petition to the Postmaster-General
asking permission to live out of Bombay, and
for free railway passes, and that in cases of
death from the plague their families should be
granted a pension or some compensation. They
also ask that their work may be reduced by
diminishing the number of deliveries.

Rogers Esda, Director-General of the Egyptian
Sanitary Department, Ibrahim Pasha, Prin-
cipal of the Cairo Medical School, and Dr. Bluter,
Bacteriologist of the Hygienic Institute of Cairo,
have been invited to Bombay under the orders of the
Egyptian Government to study the plague.

A Karachi correspondent telegraphs last
night that the plague returns for the 48 hours
ending at noon on Sunday was 75 cases and 67
deaths. The disease is spreading, both searates
and deaths increasing. On Saturday there were
as many as 43 cases and 35 deaths. Quite a
panic prevails in all quarters.

Imported cases and deaths have occurred at
Gos and Daman. The Portuguese authorities
have ordered the plague corpses to be buried
in the vicinity of religion, besides the clothing and
dwellings. A sanitary cordon has been drawn
round the affected districts. Strict quarantine
has been imposed on sea and railway passengers.

The Goa authorities have increased the quar-
antine period from five to seven days.

POONA, January 26th.

From 8 a.m. on the 25th to 8 a.m. on the 26th,
10 deaths occurred in the city of Poona from
the plague, being cases from Bombay. The
total cases since the 19th December are 65, and
the total deaths 60, comprising 30 men, 21
women, and 9 children.

BOMBAY, January 27th.

There were 81 cases and 40 deaths reported
from the plague yesterday. The total deaths
from all causes was 330.

A European gentleman and his wife living in
the Fort of Bombay were conveyed to St.
George's Hospital suffering from the plague;
The lady has died, and the husband is still under
treatment. A European child was also admitted
to the hospital yesterday with plague. There
are now six plague patients in the European
hospital.

In consequence of the pressure that has been
brought to bear on the Home Government by
the Foreign Powers regarding the plague in
Bombay, the Secretary of State has decided
leaving this port.

At a special meeting of the Millowners' As-
sociation it was decided that the mills should
continue working in order to give employment to
the hands remaining in Bombay; that wages
should be paid monthly, and that advances not
exceeding half the wages should be made as
required; and grain shops should be opened at
each mill to sell grain retail at wholesale rates.
A panic has set in among the tramway men.
Half the conductors have left.

The Port Trust has had to make special arrange-
ments for storing large quantities of goods in
consequence of the few clearances that have
been made from the godowns lately on account
of the plague.

January, 29th.

There were 1,721 deaths during the week end-
ing the 28th instant, being 37 less than the
preceding week, and 1,293 more than in the cor-
responding period during the previous five years.
The death-rate was 107.13.

January 30th.

Yesterday there were 128 cases of plague.
The number of deaths has not been stated
officially. Several cases are occurring amongst
Europeans.

The wife of Honorary Captain Sutton died of
the plague yesterday in a house opposite the
Byculla Club.

February 2nd.

The plague at Bombay is again on the
increase. The total mortality from all causes
from 6 a.m. on the 31st January to 6 a.m. on the
1st February was 245. Several cases have
occurred amongst Europeans. A serious outbreak
has occurred in the galleys, and the removal of the
prisoners to the Mofessil is contemplated.

A CYCLONE IN CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA, February 1st.

Quite a cyclone burst over Calcutta about
3.30 this afternoon accompanied by torrents of
rain. The force of the wind was great and
blew over several places; but no serious
damage is reported, but the streets near Govern-
ment House were some feet deep in water; some
of the shops were flooded, and for a time all
traffic was stopped.

The storm this afternoon did considerable
damage. Mr. Spencer's captive war balloon
was wrecked and the Light Horse camp tents
are all blown down.

It is believed some twenty lives were lost
among the native boatmen yesterday in the
storm which occurred here.

THE "SIREN" CASE.

LONDON, January 31st.

The owners of the ship Siren hold that the
Admiralty is responsible for £80,000, compensa-
tion for the claims involved by the loss of that
vessel in the English Channel last year, when
she was run down and sunk by the E.M.S.
Lendral. The Admiralty, it appears, offered
to pay £4,843, but this amount was refused.
The Greenock Chamber of Commerce have now
decided to petition the House of Commons to
"save the ship-owners' claim."

A GUNBOAT TORPEDOED.

The Spanish gunboat Ralampago has been
torpedoed in the Canal River (el Santo Cuba?).
Six of the gunboat's crew were killed and another
gunboat rescued the survivors. Many of the
latter were wounded, included the Commander.

A DISASTROUS EARTHQUAKE.

News has been received of a terrible earth-
quake at Kishan, an island at the entrance to
the Persian Gulf. The loss of life resulting is
said to be enormous.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

FOR trespassing within the prohibited area at
Taipingshan, Chan Yuen, a coolie, was to-day
fined \$10.

THERE will be a "pick up" at the Cricket
ground to-morrow at 11 a.m. and lists may be
signed in the Pavilion or at the Hongkong Club.

LAI LAI, a washerman, was to-day charged with
stealing \$30, the property of a tailor named
Lau Heng. He "owned up" and was imprison-
ed 4 months with hard labour.

JAMES PENNINGTON, a seaman, was charged at
the Magistrate yesterday with disorderly conduct
in the Grand Hotel. This being his third offence,
he was fined \$15, in default 43 days.

A WOMAN named Wong Na was brought before
Capt. Hastings this morning for failing to notify
the authorities when her child was suffering
from small-pox. On grounds of ignorance she
was let off with a fine of \$7.

It was reported in town to-day that the delay of
the French mail was owing to a breakdown of
the machinery of the steamer Melbourne while
on her way here. Enquiry at the office of the
Messageries Maritimes proves this to be incorrect,
bad weather being the sole cause of the delay.

H.M.S. Hardy, one of the two lately arrived
torpedo-boat destroyers, was out for a trip yester-
day. We understand that all the engineers and
stokers who have not previously gone through a
course of instruction in a "destroyer" are now
to do so. This being the case, with the large
number of ships in harbour, the Hardy and
Hardy are likely to have a busy time during the
next few weeks.

The captain of the P. & O. s.s. Borneo and a
pilot appeared recently before the Police Court
at Penang, says the Straits Times, on the charge
of bringing that vessel within harbour limits
with small-pox on board. To this both pleaded
guilty, but the captain said that he did not know
small-pox had broken out on board his ship,
and had no knowledge of the quarantine rules.

It was, however, pointed out that these appeared
on the back of all port clearances in the Straits.
The captain was fined \$100 and the pilot \$25.

Those interested in the manners and customs of
the poorer classes of Chinese had an excellent
opportunity of inspecting their dishes and food
stuffs at Happy Valley during the three days of
the Races. The ground between the road near
the Monument and the Mohammedan Cemetery
was crowded with eating stalls of all descriptions,
while the various vendors, mostly by no means of
a tempting appearance from a European point of
view, were simply legion. The Chinese coolie
certainly goes in for variety, and the cheapness of
the different dishes enables him to get a good
dinner for a very small sum.

A CURIOUS sequel is reported to the Sun Yat Sen
kidnapping case in London last year, law
proceedings now involving Sun Yat Sen and the
Embassy servant, who at the request of the doctor
was accompanied by his friends, and so contrib-
uted to the agitation which led to his release.

At the time Sun Yat Sen promised the servant,
George Cole, £500 in the event of any action he
might take resulting in his liberation, and this
promise was subsequently fulfilled to the extent
of £200 paid on account. An action has now been
entered for the recovery of the balance; but Sun
Yat Sen, while acknowledging his indebtedness
to Cole, is unable to meet his claim owing to
lack of means.

WILLISON'S CIRCUS attracted a large audience
last night, when a capital programme was
presented. The spectators showed their appreci-
ation in loud and continuous bursts of applause.
The tug-of-war between C & D Companies
of the West Yorks resulted in a win for the
"C's." A special programme has been arranged
for to-night in the presence of His Excellency the
Governor, after which two ties of the tug-of-war
will be pulled (C v. E Co., West Yorks and
Police v. Asiatic Artillery). It has been announc-
ed that to-morrow night is positively the last and
we advise those of our readers who have not
yet seen this Circus to do so without
fail. The final of the tug-of-war will be pulled
to-morrow night, the first prize being \$125 and
second \$75.

REGARDING the stranding of the steamer Kha-
dika, which went aground off Portender, the
A'stote of India says it is absolutely certain
that she will break up where she lies. The
Captain and the owner were on the bridge at
the time the accident happened. The Captain
approached the shore at the owner's request and
let go the anchor, running out 45 fathoms chain
which was immediately carried away. The
vessel must have grounded on her anchor and
struck the rocks. Capt. Clark, the Marine Sur-
veyor, who was on board, assumed charge and
anchors were run out. The ropes and hawsers
were hove taut, the engines went full speed
astern and were suddenly stopped, it being
hoped that this would cause a rush of water
underneath the ship and raise her.

The vessel moved a little and when they were
heaving the ropes again a hawser parted which
threw the vessel out of position, and Captain
Clark was unable to execute the manoeuvre by
which he had hoped to save the vessel.

THE Criminal Sessions were opened yesterday
by Mr. Justice Searcomb Smith. In the matter
of Wong Sun Tan, charged with uttering a
forged promissory note, Mr. Pollock asked for a
postponement till Wednesday next. The
Attorney-General opposed the application, say-
ing that an adjournment till Monday would allow
the defence plenty of time, and that it would be
a dangerous precedent to grant a week's adjourn-
ment. His Lordship said, as it was merely a mis-
take of the solicitor, and considering this

